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Commissioner for Patents  
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Re: U.S. Application No. 09/531,113  
Filed: March 22, 2000  
Title: Nucleic Acid Molecules and Other Molecules  
Associated with Plants  
Applicants: Joseph R. BYRUM *et al.*  
Attorney Docket No.: 16517.313

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. §1.136;
2. an Appeal Brief Under 37 C.F.R. § 41.37; and
3. a return postcard.

Please stamp the attached postcard with the filing date of these documents and return it to our courier.

Applicants request that the following fees be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2387 referencing docket number 16517.313:

<u>\$ 120.00</u>	one-month extension fee
<u>\$ 500.00</u>	fee for filing brief in support of appeal

In the event that extensions of time beyond those petitioned for herewith are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe any fees, other than the above (\$620), are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any additional fees are required in the present

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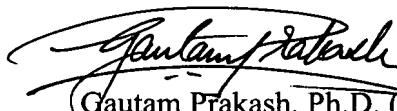
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application, including any fees for extensions of time, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Arnold & Porter LLP Deposit Account No. 50-2387 referencing matter number 16517.313. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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